

256.61 Library service areas and boards of trustees — appointment — terms.

1. Seven library service areas shall serve and represent seven geographic regions consisting of the following counties:

a. The southwestern area shall serve and represent the counties of Adair, Adams, Audubon, Cass, Clarke, Decatur, Fremont, Guthrie, Harrison, Lucas, Mills, Montgomery, Page, Pottawattamie, Ringgold, Shelby, Taylor, Union, and Wayne.

b. The northwestern area shall serve and represent the counties of Buena Vista, Calhoun, Carroll, Cherokee, Clay, Crawford, Dickinson, Emmet, Ida, Lyon, Monona, O'Brien, Osceola, Palo Alto, Plymouth, Pocahontas, Sac, Sioux, and Woodbury.

c. The north central area shall serve and represent the counties of Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Franklin, Hamilton, Hancock, Hardin, Humboldt, Kossuth, Mitchell, Webster, Winnebago, Worth, and Wright.

d. The central area shall serve and represent the counties of Boone, Dallas, Greene, Jasper, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Polk, Story, and Warren.

e. The southeastern area shall serve and represent the counties of Appanoose, Davis, Des Moines, Henry, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lee, Louisa, Mahaska, Monroe, Muscatine, Scott, Van Buren, Wapello, and Washington.

f. The east central area shall serve and represent the counties of Benton, Cedar, Clinton, Iowa, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Linn, Poweshiek, and Tama.

g. The northeastern area shall serve and represent the counties of Allamakee, Black Hawk, Bremer, Buchanan, Butler, Chickasaw, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Grundy, Howard, and Winneshiek.

2. Each area shall have a board of trustees composed of seven members, who shall be appointed as follows:

a. One member shall be appointed mutually by the area education agency media divisions located within the boundaries of the library service area.

b. One member shall be appointed mutually by the boards of trustees of the public libraries located within the boundaries of the library service area.

c. One member shall be appointed mutually by librarians employed by public libraries located within the boundaries of the library service area.

d. One member shall be appointed mutually by the boards of trustees of the community colleges located within the boundaries of the library service area.

e. One member shall be appointed by the commission of libraries to represent library patrons residing within the boundaries of the library service area.

f. Two members shall be appointed by the commission of libraries to represent the public at-large residing within the boundaries of the library service area.

3. All appointments shall comply with sections 69.16 and 69.16A.

4. The members of each library service area board shall be appointed to four-year, staggered terms of office. A term shall be effective on the first of July of the year of appointment and a vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.

5. The members of a board shall not receive compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties. The expenses of the board members shall be paid from the appropriation to the library service areas.

6. Each board shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson annually from among its membership. A board shall meet at the call of its chairperson or upon written request of a majority of its membership. Four members constitute a quorum. The concurrence of a majority of the members of a board is required to determine any matter relating to its duties.

7. The commission of libraries shall adopt rules providing for the coordination of appointments made to the board of trustees in accordance with this section.

93 Acts, ch 48, §24; 2001 Acts, ch 158, §14

For FY 2010-2011, number of library service areas is reduced to six by combining at least two service areas; 2010 Acts, ch 1183, §7